Mountain Weather Forecast

Brecon Beacons National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 19 May 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 20 May 2021

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 18 May 2021 at 15:31

Confidence: High for the showery theme on Wednesday and for becoming wet and windy Thursday and Friday, but only low for the detail of strongest winds and heavy rain on Thursday and Friday

Headline for Wednesday 19 May 2021: Isolated sharp showers until early afternoon, then dry with sunny periods.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 19 May 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain showers (night)	Light rain showers (night)	Sunny intervals	Light rain showers	Heavy rain showers	Sunny intervals	Sunny	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
40%	30%	20%	50%	50%	10%	<05%	<05%

Forecast for Wednesday 19 May 2021

Weather: A few showers during the early hours, these mainly across the south of the Beacons and clearing before dawn, when some patchy valley fog may briefly develop. Any fog will disperse not long after sunrise, then isolated showers will quickly develop, these becoming locally heavy by midday with a small risk of hail and thunder. During the afternoon these showers will fade away leaving a fine, dry end to the day with some late sunshine.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 600m: 60% initially, improving to 90% or better by mid-morning.

Visibility: Locally poor in any valley fog around dawn, which may briefly lift into shallow banks of low cloud on slopes around 300m before dispersing an hour or so after sunrise. Otherwise generally very good with excellent clarity, but with occasional patches of cloud on western slopes above 500-600m during the early hours and at first in the morning, but this lifting clear of the summits by mid-morning. However, some sudden brief deteriorations in visibility are likely in any heavier showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	6/9 NW	9/13 NW	11/15 NW	13/19 NW	16/23 W	15/22 NW	11/17 NW	9/14 SW	10/14 SW
300	4/7 W	5/12 W	7/14 W	9/18 NW	12/22 W	11/22 NW	8/16 NW	6/13 SW	6/13 SW
Valley	4/8 W	5/12 W	6/13 W	8/16 NW	11/23 W	11/21 NW	8/16 W	5/13 SW	5/12 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	5/3	5/2	5/2	7/3	8/4	9/6	8/5	5/2	5/1
300	6/6	7/5	7/5	10/8	12/9	13/10	11/9	7/5	6/4
Valley	7/6	7/6	8/6	11/9	13/10	13/11	12/10	8/6	7/5
Freezing Level*	1300m	1300m	1300m	1200m	1200m	1200m	1300m	1300m	1200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

There is still a risk of isolated heavy and thundery showers through the middle of the day, so best pack waterproofs. Sunlight will be strong in between showers and later in the afternoon, and sun protection is advised.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
14:00 on Tue 18 May 2021	2mm	13.2mm	32.6mm

Forecast for Thursday 20 May 2021

Weather: Becoming cloudy during the early hours, with outbreaks of rain spreading from the southwest shortly after dawn. Outbreaks of rain will continue through the morning, heavy at times and accompanied by gales over the summits. There may be some brief drier interludes during the afternoon, but persistent rain will develop by evening.

Maximum wind: South to southwesterly 35-40mph gust 45-50mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 600m: 90% at first falling to 30% or less during the early hours. There may be some improvements to 70% in any drier interludes in the afternoon, but deteriorating to 10% or less by evening.

Visibility: Good at low levels at first, but with patchy cloud on slopes above 500m during the early hours, and with more extensive cloud developing as the rain arrives, covering slopes above 500-700m with below cloud visibility moderate at best in the rain. Some brief improvements in any drier interludes in the afternoon. with cloud lifting and breaking to near 800m, but becoming generally poor by evening with extensive cloud developing on slopes above 400-500m..

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 5 Celsius becoming Plus 12 Celsius.
At 600m: Plus 5 Celsius becoming plus 7 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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